

# Cognate Endings

**-ace** becomes **-acio**

palace

preface

**palacio**

**prefacio**

**-al** stays **-al**

canal

coral

final

metal

pedal

**canal**

**coral**

**final**

**metal**

**pedal**

**-ic/-ics** becomes **-ica**

electronics

logic

music

physics

rhetoric

**electrónica**

**lógica**

**música**

**física**

**retórica**

**-ine** becomes **-ina**

discipline

doctrine

heroine

margarine

morphine

**disciplina**

**doctrina**

**heroína**

**margarina**

**morfina**

**-ism** becomes **-ismo**

communism

socialism

marxism

paganism

**comunismo socialismo marxismo paganismo**

**-ity** becomes **-idad**

curiosity

electricity

nationality

university

velocity

**curiosidad electricidad nacionalidad universidad velocidad**

**-m/-ma** becomes **-ma**

dogma

drama

enigma

program

victim

**dogma**

**drama**

**enigma**

**programa**

**víctima**

**-ology** becomes **-ología**

archaeology

biology

psychology

urology

zoology

**arqueología**

**biología**

**psicología**

**urología**

**zoología**

**-sion** becomes **-sión**

aggression

depression

expression

impression

mission

**agresión**

**depresión**

**expresión**

**impresión**

**misión**

**-tion** becomes **-ción**

action

dedication

evolution

instruction

nation

**acción**

**dedicación**

**evolución**

**instrucción**

**nación**

**-ure** becomes **-ura**

agriculture

cure

figure

literature

miniature

**agricultura**

**cura**

**figura**

**literatura**

**miniatura**

**-y** becomes **-ía**

anatomy

artillery

energy

geography

philosophy

**anatomía**

**artillería**

**energía**

**geografía**

**filosofía**

### LIST OF FALSE COGNATES

WORD	MEANING	WORD	MEANING
<b>actual</b>	real	<b>advertise</b>	anunciar, hacer publicidad
<b>actually</b>	realmente	<b>advice</b>	consejo
<b>ancient</b>	antiguo	<b>advise</b>	aconsejar, recomendar
<b>assist</b>	atender	<b>agreement</b>	acuerdo
<b>attend</b>	asistir (a un evento)	<b>allocate</b>	distribuir
<b>basement</b>	Sótano	<b>balloon</b>	globo
<b>billion</b>	USA: mil millones // Britain: millón de millón	<b>black</b>	negro
<b>border</b>	Límite, frontera	<b>borrow</b>	tomar en préstamo
<b>college</b>	universidad, inst. de edu. superior	<b>called</b>	llamó (pasado de call)
<b>commodities</b>	mercancía, artículo, producto, mercadería	<b>century</b>	siglo
<b>currently</b>	Actualmente	<b>come</b>	venir
<b>customer</b>	cliente	<b>conversely</b>	a la inversa
<b>deceptive</b>	Engañoso	<b>crime</b>	delito
<b>despite</b>	a pesar de, no obstante	<b>currency</b>	moneda (de un país)
<b>embarrassed</b>	apenado, avergonzado	<b>date</b>	fecha
<b>exit</b>	Salida	<b>disgrace</b>	vergüenza
<b>fabric</b>	tela, tejido	<b>expenses</b>	gastos
<b>facilities</b>	instalaciones	<b>expensive</b>	caro
<b>figure</b>	cog. verdadero: dibujo / cog falso: número	<b>floor</b>	piso
<b>journalist</b>	periodista	<b>for instance</b>	por ejemplo
<b>large</b>	grande	<b>great</b>	cog. verdadero: grande / cog. falso: maravilloso
<b>letter</b>	cog. verdadero: letra / cog. falso: carta	<b>introduce</b>	presentar
<b>major</b>	importante, principal	<b>involve</b>	involucrar
<b>once</b>	una vez	<b>journal</b>	periódico, diario, revista, boletín
<b>pace</b>	Paso, ritmo	<b>lecture</b>	conferencia, ponencia
<b>pan</b>	sartén	<b>library</b>	biblioteca
<b>pattern</b>	patrón, diseño	<b>murder</b>	asesinato
<b>physician</b>	médico	<b>parents</b>	padres
<b>policies</b>	políticas	<b>relieve</b>	liberar, aliviar
<b>realize</b>	realizar o darse cuenta	<b>remain</b>	permanecer
<b>relative</b>	pariente	<b>sales</b>	ventas
<b>resign</b>	renunciar	<b>soul</b>	alma
<b>rope</b>	lazo, cuerda	<b>terrific</b>	estupendo
<b>several</b>	Varios	<b>trait</b>	característica
<b>success</b>	Éxito	<b>translation</b>	traducción
<b>sunrise</b>	salida del sol	<b>tree</b>	árbol
<b>vacuum</b>	vacío, neumático, aspiradora limpiar con aspiradora		

## PREFIXES

Prefixes change the meaning of a word. The list provided below is organized according to an a of meaning because most often there is no one single (unique) specific meaning.

PREFIXES OF SIZE		
Prefix	Meaning	Examples
semi-	half, partly	semiconductor
equi-	equal	equidistant
extra-	beyond,	extraordinary
	out-side	hypersensitive;
hyper	excessive	hypermarket
maxi-	big	maxicomputer
micro-	small	microchip
mini-	little	minicomputer
macro-	big	macroeconomics
mega-	big	megabyte
over	too much	overpopulated;
		overworked
re	again	rewrite, reread
super	over,above,	supersede;
	excessive	supermarket

PREFIXES OF LOCATION/DIRECTION		
Prefix	Meaning	Examples
inter-	between,	interactive
	among	
intra	within	intrastate
par/ para	near, similar	parallel
		parastatal
tel	far away, at	telescope,
	a distance	television
trans-	over; across	transnational
	near	
sub-	under	subway;
		subtitle

PREFIXES OF NUMBERS		
Prefix	Meaning	Examples
semi-	half	semicircle
mono-	one	monolingual
bi-	two	bilateral
tri-	three	triangle
quad-	four	quadruple
penta-	five	pentagon
hex-	six	hexagonal
dec-	ten	decimal
multi-	many	multinational

PREFIXES OF TIME AND ORDER		
Prefix	Meaning	Examples
ante-	before	antecedent
ex	former	exwife; ex
		president
pre-	before	prehearing
prime-	first	primitive
post-	after	postgraduate
		postwar
retro-	backward	retroactive

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PREFIXES WITH NEGATIVE MEANING		
Prefix	Meaning	Examples
un-	not	unable
in-	"	incomplete
im-	"	impossible
non-	"	non-existent
il-	"	illegal
ir-	"	irresponsible
mis-	bad, wrong	misunderstand
dis-	opposite	disagree
anti-	against	antiterrorism
de-	reduce	decrease
under-	too little	underestimate

## SUFFIXES

A SUFFIX COMES AT THE END OF A WORD. IT ALSO ADDS TO THE MEANING. HOWEVER, THE MEANING OF THE SUFFIX IS OFTEN DIFFICULT TO DEFINE. A SUFFIX USUALLY DEFINES A PART OF SPEECH.

EXAMPLE:        **separate**        (verb and adjective)        **separately**        (adverb)        **separation**        (noun)

Here are some common meanings of suffixes. (\* also used for another part of speech)

SUFFIX	MEANING	EXAMPLES
-able, -ible	possible, able to be done	acceptable, comprehensible, transportable
-ful	full of	useful, successful, meaningful
-less	without	useless, meaningless
-er*, -or, -ian, -ist, -yst	person engaged in an occupation	engineer, professor; competitor; scientist, analyst, librarian
-er*, -or,	also: machine, software	computer, (oracle) developer, generator
-er / -ee	-er: 'gives'; -ee: 'receives'	employer; employee trainer; trainee interviewer; interviewee
-ess	female person	(air) hostess

Here are some common suffixes grouped in parts of speech. (\* also used for another part of speech)

NOUNS	EXAMPLES
-ance, -ence	appearance, difference
-ant*	accountant
-ary*	secretary
-ly*	economy, frequency
-dom	freedom, wisdom
-ism	communism, racism
-ity	quality, community
-ive*	executive
-ment	government, statement, requirement, assignment, employment
-ness	consciousness, competitiveness
- (a)tion	satisfaction, globalization, competition
-ship	leadership
-ure	manufacture, failure
ADJECTIVES	EXAMPLES
-ant*, -ent	important, different, excellent, independent
-al	national, natural, original
-ary*	Monetary, temporary
-ate*	separate, immediate
-er*	(comparative) bigger, fewer, faster
-est	(superlative) biggest, fewest, fastest
-ic	economic, basic, specific, characteristic
-ical	economical, logical
-ive*	excessive, creative, attractive
-ory	satisfactory, introductory
VERBS	
-ate*	separate, congratulate
-ise, -ize, -yse, -yze	economize, analyze, mechanize
-y*	satisfy, specify
ADVERBS OF MANNER	
-ly	excessively, creatively

☛ The present participle (-ing) can be used in verbs, as adjectives and nouns  
 The past participle (-ed) can be used in verbs and as adjectives